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SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain this morning is Reverend William Arnold, from the United Methodist Church, Lincoln, Nebraska, guest of Senator Schrock.

REVEREND ARNOLD: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you very much, Reverend Arnold, for being with us. We appreciate it. I call the fifty-fifth day of the Ninety-Eighth Legislature, First Session, to order. Senators, please check in. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are there any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: I have neither messages, reports, nor announcements at this time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We now go to General File, appropriations bills. Mr. Clerk, first bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first bill is LB 46A. It's a bill by Senator Brashear. (Read title.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brashear, you're recognized to open on LB 46A to advance to E & R Initial.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, thank you. Members of the body. You will recall that LB 46 is the community corrections package, relating to corrections, probation, and parole issues. The purpose of the community corrections package is, as we all remember, to save the state dollars in the long term, so that the Department of Correctional Services is not opening a new prison within the next five years, a proposition that could be